



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No. 072982-0203

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Applicant: Mitsumasa TANAKA

Title: SYSTEM, METHOD AND RECORD MEDIUM FOR AUDIO-VIDEO SYNCHRONOUS PLAYBACK

Application No.: 09/620,970

Filing Date: July 20, 2000

Examiner: Chieu, Po Lin

Art Unit: 2615

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: (check items that apply)
  - a. Previously submitted:
    - Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on \_\_\_\_.
    - Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on \_\_\_\_ but not considered.
    - Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_.
  - b. Enclosed are:
    - Amendment Accompanying RCE.
    - Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
    - Information Disclosure Statement.
    - Form PTO-1449 with copies of \_\_\_\_ listed reference(s).

Miscellaneous:

Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months.

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The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended	Previously Paid For	Extra Claims Present	Rate	Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):					
Total Claims:	29	-	28 = 1	x \$18.00	= \$18.00
Independents	4	-	3 = 1	x \$86.00	= \$86.00
			First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:	+	\$290.00 = \$0.00
					CLAIMS FEE TOTAL: = \$874.00

[ ] Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] Extension for response filed within the first month:	\$110.00	0	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] Extension for response filed within the second month:	\$420.00		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] Extension for response filed within the third month:	\$950.00		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] Extension for response filed within the fourth month:	\$1,480.00		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> [ ] Extension for response filed within the fifth month:	\$2,010.00		\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:		\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID:		\$0.00
	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL		\$0.00
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:		\$874.00
<input type="checkbox"/> [ ]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):		\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> [ ]	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)		\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:		\$874.00

[ ] Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741 in the amount of \$874.00. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed.

[ X ] A check in the amount of \$874.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

[ X ] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date September 21, 2004

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**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING RCE**

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Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 16 of this document.

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